DDP 0208 DD Comprehensive Waiver Service Definitions

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20. Private Duty Nursing

Waiver Private Duty Nursing service provides medically necessary nursing services, to individuals 21 years of age and older and are provided in any setting in which they are needed. Private Duty Nursing State Plan services are available only to children up to age 21. Services may include medical management, direct treatment, consultation, and training for the individual and/or caregivers.

Services provided under the home health requirement of the State Plan are limited and for those considered "home bound" and for the purposes of postponing or preventing a higher level of care. State Plan home health services may only be provided in a person's private residence, while some individuals need nursing services in settings outside of the home. Private Duty Nursing services must be specified in the plan of care. It must be ordered in writing by the individual's physician and it must be delivered by a registered nurse (RN) or a licensed practical nurse (LPN).

Waiver Private Duty Nursing services, for individuals 21 years of age and older, will be used after the State Plan home health nursing limits have been reached, or if the service required is different from that authorized under the State Plan. State Plan Home Health services include skilled nursing for people 21 and over.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

This service will not overlap with, supplant, or duplicate other services provided through the waiver or Medicaid State plan services.

The waiver will not cover activities which are otherwise available under section 110 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the IDEA (20 U.S.C. 1401 et seq.), or EPSDT